SECTION 11 - EXPLANATION OF TERMS

Rate Center – A geographic reference point with specific coordinates on a map used for determining mileage when calculating charges.

Referral Period – The time frame during which calls to a number which has been changed will be sent to a recording which will inform the caller of the new number.

Resale of Service – The subscription to communications service and facilities by one entity and the reoffering of communications service to others (with or without `adding value') for profit.

Same Premises – All space in the same building in which one subscriber has the right of occupancy, and all space in different buildings on contiguous property when occupied solely by the same subscriber. Foyers, hallways and other space for the common use of all occupants of a building are considered the premises of the operator of the building.

Selective Routing – A feature that routes an E911 call from a Central Office to the designated primary PSAP based upon the identified number of the calling party.

Serving Central Office – The central office from which local service is furnished.

Sharing – An arrangement in which several users collectively use communications service and facilities provided by a carrier, with each user paying a pro-rata share of the communication related costs.

Station – Each telephone on a line and where no telephone associated with the line is provided on the same premises and in the same building, the first termination in station key equipment or a jack for use with a portable telephone.

Suspension – Suspension of service for nonpayment is interruption of outgoing service only. Suspension of service at the subscriber's request is interruption of both incoming and outgoing service.

Synchronous – Transmission in which there is a constant time interval between bits, characters or events.

T-1 System – A type of digital carrier system transmitting voice or data at 1.544 Mbps. A T-1 carrier can handle up to 24 multiplexed 64 Kbps digital voice/data channels. A T-1 carrier system can use metallic cable, microwave radio or optical fiber as transmission media.

Telephone Call – A voice connection between two or more telephone stations through the public switched exchange system.

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